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Presswood Pallets given the 'All clear' for Australia

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ISPM15 for Oz

As of the 1st of September the import authorities of Australia implemented ISPM15 alongside their existing regulations.

In order to clarify the acceptability of Presswood Pallets into Australia, we have been in contact with the respective Australian Government departments who have clarified the situation in the following quotations:

" In response to your telephone message I have provided a link to Australia's regulations below. <http://www.affa.gov.au/content/publications.cfm?ObjectID=90AF2E1C-BD98-406E-914BECBE8EF22C37> Essentially ISPM 15 is being implemented as only a option for facilitated clearance. All other options pre 1 September 2004 are being retained. If you already have access to Australia then you can just keep doing as you have been.

Regards - D.W. Cargo Systems Development, Import Clearance, AQIS "

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" AQIS is offering ISPM 15 as an additional option for imports containing timber packing. As you stated, timber packing made of processed panel products are outside the scope of ISPM 15 and conditions for their import remain the same and are available under the AQIS Import Conditions database ICON available at http://www.aqis.gov.au/icon32/asp/ex_alertscontent.asp Requirements are further described in "Cargo Containers: Quarantine aspects and procedures" with an example of a Manufacturer's Declaration for newly manufactured panel products provided on page 61.

The Packers Declaration has been updated to cater for exporters that wish to use timber packing marked with ISPM 15 compliant stamps. It asks "Is all timber packing marked with ISPM 15 compliant stamps?" If all timber packing in the consignment is not marked with ISPM 15 compliant stamps (this includes none or some), the packer/supplier must answer NO. ie The revised Packers Declaration caters for all situations - all ISPM 15 (a YES answer), some ISPM 15 (a NO answer), or nil ISPM 15 (a NO answer).

If exporters choose not to use ISPM 15 compliant packing, the unrevised version will continue to be acceptable along with the revised version.

Regards - A.M. Australian Government Dept of Agriculture, Fisheries & Forestry "

Should you experience any difficulty when exporting, or need further information relating to the regulations of other countries, please contact Inka in the first instance.

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